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Γakashi OKADA et al) Group Art Unit: 2851
Application No.: 09/537,420) Examiner: W. Perkey
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For: CAMERA)

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT (Failure to Receive Communication)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.181, Applicants hereby petition for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

In a Notice of Abandonment dated June 3, 2002 (copy enclosed) the application was said to be abandoned for failure to reply to a Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on 5/30/2000. Applicants' representative have no record of ever having received the Notice to File Missing Parts. A search of the file jacket and the docket records indicates that such a Notice was not received. As evidence thereof, attached is a copy of the firm's docket record for the application. Referring to the application history (appearing in the box at the middle of the printout), the first line identifies receipt of the filing receipt dated 5/30/00.

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If the Notice to File Missing Parts had been received, it would have appeared on the docket prior to the entry for the Notice of Abandonment.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby petition for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment, and mailing of a new Notice to File Missing Parts.

It is believed that there is no fee due for the filing of this Petition; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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